



## NEWS RELEASE

### Media Contact:

Sarah Ardalani  
Public Information Officer  
213-257-2000  
[SArdalani@da.lacounty.gov](mailto:SArdalani@da.lacounty.gov)  
Twitter: @LADAOOffice

Sept. 22, 2016

### Man Charged with Long Beach Murder

A 52-year-old man has been charged with fatally stabbing another in a Long Beach apartment on Monday, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

William Earl Wilson (dob 6/27/64) of Los Angeles was charged on Tuesday with one count of murder in case NA105002. The felony complaint includes a special allegation that the defendant used a deadly and dangerous weapon, a knife, during the commission of the crime.

Additionally, the charging document alleges that Wilson was previously convicted of grand theft auto in 2003 and unlawful driving or taking of a vehicle in 2003 and 2004.

The defendant is scheduled to be arraigned today in Department S01 at the Los Angeles County Superior Court, Long Beach Branch. Prosecutors will ask that bail be set at \$2.02 million.

Deputy District Attorney Tony Cho of the Elder Abuse Section is assigned to the case.

Prosecutors said at the time of the incident, Wilson and the 72-year-old victim were staying with a friend at a Long Beach apartment. Both Wilson and the victim reportedly slept in the living room.

In the early morning of Sept. 19, authorities were reportedly notified about an altercation at the apartment. When police arrived, they found the elderly victim with a stab wound and he was taken to the hospital for treatment but ultimately succumbed to his injury.

After further investigation of the incident, police arrested Wilson in connection with the stabbing.

If convicted as charged, Wilson faces a maximum possible sentence of 26 years to life in state prison.

The case is being investigated by the Long Beach Police Department.

## **About the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office**

Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to protecting our community through the fair and ethical pursuit of justice and the safeguarding of crime victims' rights.